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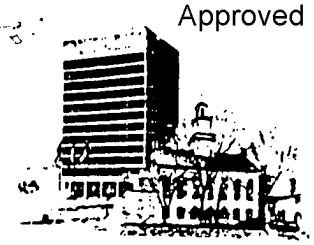

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF FAIRFAX

July 18, 1984

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Dear Mr. Hodge:

This letter is with reference to VDH&T's letter of June 5, 1984 which forwarded to the County a draft copy of the proposed agreement between VDH&T and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) with regard to traffic management strategies and the six-laning of Route 123. Since that time, this agreement has been discussed at the CIA Traffic Advisory Committee meeting, and I have also discussed it with Supervisor Nancy Falck of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

While the County supports the traffic management plan and commitments expressed in the agreement, we are concerned that additional details pertaining to the scenario in which peak-hour traffic flows exceed current levels are not fully defined. Pursuant to the proposed agreement, in the event that the traffic management plan is unable to maintain peak-hour inflow and outflow at current levels, the CIA will provide to VDH&T sufficient funds to implement additional road improvements including six laning of Route 123 from the vicinity of Potomac School Road to the vicinity of Merchants Lane. As you know, as of this date, no agreement or resolution has been reached with respect to the traffic scheme that will be initially implemented with funding from the CIA. It appears, however, that the scheme preferred by the citizens so far will not serve the traffic effectively, particularly if the traffic management plan does not achieve its intended objectives. We remain concerned that this traffic scheme may not be able to accommodate the additional traffic resulting from the nearly one million square feet expansion at the CIA. If this scheme is adopted and constructed and then the traffic management plan is not working, the CIA's only obligation is to turn over to VDH&T funds for the six-laning of Route 123. It is not clear at this time how the six-laning will be accomplished; however, it appears prudent to ensure that the scheme initially constructed should be able to accommodate the six-laning without tearing up the area again. We are also concerned as to whether VDH&T will have additional funds to supplement CIA funds, should such additional funds be needed to fully implement improvements for Route 123.

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It is the position of the County staff, therefore, that:

- The execution of the agreement occur after we have reached resolution of a mutually satisfactory traffic scheme. The nature and scope of the selected scheme may warrant other modifications to the agreement; and

- the Department consider developing as an adjunct to the plans for the selected traffic scheme a plan sheet showing the six-laning of Route 123. This plan sheet should be made part of the agreement between CIA and VDH&T with the agreement stating that the six-laning, if deemed necessary because of the failure of the traffic management plan, shall be substantially in accordance with this plan sheet. This will clarify for all at the outset what may be expected and save the Department and the County a lot of problems later when six-laning is proposed.

I have discussed this matter with Supervisor Falck who concurs with the position outlined heretofore. Should you need any further clarification, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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Office of Transportation

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